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Applicant:	NIHON INTERSYSTEMS CO., LTD.		
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114(D) AND
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.113

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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on December 2, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal was pending prior to the filing of the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and this Response. **This RCE and Response are being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d), which will be treated as a request to withdraw the pending Appeal and reopen prosecution of the application before the Examiner.** A 3 month extension fee applied in filing the Appeal Brief, so that the same 3 month extension fee applies here in filing this RCE and Response.